



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 5886**

LCO No. 6325



Referred to Committee on FINANCE, REVENUE AND  
BONDING

Introduced by:  
(FIN)

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CREDIT FOR DONATED  
AGRICULTURAL FOOD COMMODITIES PRODUCED OR GROWN BY  
THE TAXPAYER.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

- 1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017, and applicable to income years*  
2       *commencing on or after January 1, 2017*) (a) There shall be allowed a  
3       credit against the tax imposed under chapter 208 or 229 of the general  
4       statutes, other than the liability imposed by section 12-707 of the  
5       general statutes, for agricultural food commodities such as fruits,  
6       vegetables, dairy, eggs, poultry or meat, that are (1) grown or  
7       produced by the taxpayer, and (2) donated by such taxpayer to a food  
8       bank in the state or an emergency feeding organization in the state,  
9       recognized by the Department of Revenue Services.
- 10       (b) (1) The amount of the credit shall be fifteen per cent of the  
11       market value of the product donated during the income year for which  
12       the credit is claimed, or five thousand dollars, whichever is less. Any  
13       credit not used in the income year for which it was allowed may be  
14       carried forward for the five immediately succeeding income years until

15 the full credit has been claimed. Any taxpayer claiming the credit shall  
 16 provide to said department documentation supporting such claim in  
 17 the form and manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Revenue  
 18 Services.

19 (2) If the taxpayer is an S corporation or an entity treated as a  
 20 partnership for federal income tax purposes, the credit may be claimed  
 21 by the taxpayer's shareholders or partners. If the taxpayer is a single  
 22 member limited liability company that is disregarded as an entity  
 23 separate from its owner, the credit may be claimed by such limited  
 24 liability company's owner, provided such owner is subject to the tax  
 25 imposed under chapter 208 or 229 of the general statutes.

26 (c) (1) No taxpayer shall donate agricultural food commodities that  
 27 the Department of Public Health or a local director of health, or an  
 28 authorized agent thereof, has embargoed or ordered destroyed, are  
 29 adulterated, as defined in section 21a-101 of the general statutes, or are  
 30 not fit for human consumption.

31 (2) No taxpayer shall receive remuneration for a donation made  
 32 pursuant to this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2017, and applicable to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2017</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To establish a credit against the personal income tax or the corporation business tax for agricultural food commodities grown or produced by the taxpayer and donated to a food bank or an emergency feeding organization in the state.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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